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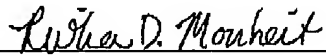
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**Remarks**

The amended claims define a concentrate contains a polypropylene resin and a beta nucleating agent (claims 17-22), a method for making a polypropylene web using the concentrate (claims 11, 23, and 24), and a polypropylene web (claims 10 and 12-16). Support for the new claims defining the concentrate can be found in the specification at least at page 10, lines 24-31 (Claim 17), page 20, line 31 until page 21, line 1 (Claim 18), page 5, lines 12-14 (Claim 19), page 21, line 1 (Claim 20), page 7, line 1 (Claim 21), and page 8, lines 12-18 (Claims 22 and 23). Support for the amendment to claim 11 can be found in the specification at least at page 10, lines 24-31 and page 11, lines 3-6. Support for new claim 24, which depends from claim 11, can be found in the specification at least at page 16, lines 13-15. Support for the amendment to claim 10 can be found in the specification at least at page 9, lines 30-31. Claim 12 was amended to depend from claim 10.

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Allowance of claims 10-24, as amended, is respectfully solicited.

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